(*a*) the number of cases of registry and the number of acres of cardamom reserves registered from the year 1106 M. E. to 1111 M. E. :

(*b*) the number of cases of registry and the number of acres registered to Travancoreans :

(*c*) the number of cases of registry and the number of acres registered to non-Travancoreans ; and

(*d*) the number of cases of registry and the number of acres registered to non-Travancoreans where encroachments had been made before by the registry-holders, with the date of each registry and the year in which encroachments had been made in each case ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : (*a*) to (*d*) Statements furnishing the information are placed on the table.

MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*) : With regard to part (*c*) may I know whether there were encroachments in all those cases ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : Yes.

MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*) : May I know when cases 2 to 8 in statement No. II were decided ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : They were decided before the date of registry.

MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Thiruvalla II*) : May I know whether any prosecution was launched in those cases ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : In cases of encroachments on Government land, the practice is to take up encroachment cases under the Land Conservancy Regulation ; and I cannot definitely say whether land encroachment cases had been taken in all those cases.

MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*) : May I know whether there was any order from Government prohibiting registry to non-Travancoreans ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : Yes.

MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*) : May I know the date of that order ?

PRESIDENT : You will get all that information in the answer to the following question.

Registry of lands in the Cardamom Hills.

233 *MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

( ) the area available for registry in the Cardamom Hills ;

(*b*) the extent of the area registered, if any, in 1109 and 1110, respectively ; and

(*c*) the action taken by them on the representation made by the representatives of the people protesting against encroachments by outsiders and the registry in their favour alleged to be contemplated by Government ?

* *Vide* Appendix

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MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): (*a*) 50,000 acres approximately.

(*b*)

	Under Cardamom Rules.	Under Puduval Rules.	Under Waste Land Rules.
1109	318·13 acres.	5·83 acres.	330·53 acres.
1110	63·40 acres.	5·94 acres.	3·12 acres.
Total	381·53 acres.	11·27 acres.	333·65 acres.

(*c*) Government have ordered, on 30th October 1935, that encroachers, who fail to pay up the dues in respect of encroachments within 15 days of receipt of the order should be deemed to have lost their right to get the lands registered and that they should be summarily evicted. Further, in the revised Cardamom Rules, dated 30-9-35, it has been laid down that no land will be registered to non-Travancoreans, except with the special sanction of Government.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): With reference to the answer to part (c), may I know approximately the total number of encroachers and how many of them are non-Travancoreans?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) Sir, I cannot give an answer now, because the encroachments are being detected by a survey party and until their work is over no definite information can be had as to the number of encroachments or the area encroached upon.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know at least whether the number of Travancoreans will be less than that of non-Travancoreans?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Yes, very much less.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know how many of these encroachers had paid up their dues.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Government gave them a certain time within which to pay if they wanted registry. The information as to how many of them paid within the time given is not available.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know at least the proportion of the encroachers who paid up their dues?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): The amount realised is over a lakh of rupees and I am not now in a position to say whether the number of persons who did not pay or declined to pay is greater or less than the number of persons who paid.

MR N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): In the case of those who failed to pay their dues, may I know whether they were ejected?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Steps are in progress for taking cases against them.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): Have they not been given extension of time?

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MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): The time was extended only up to the 15th November 1935; when it ended the parties applied for further extension, but this was declined.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know whether, till the date of the revised Cardamom Rules, Government had any reason to accord special sanction for non-Travancoreans?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Comissioner*): No, Sir.

Registry of Cardamom reserves.

284. *MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there are cardamom reserves in the Udumpanchola and Poopara *pakuthies*; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether any concession is granted to Travancoreans in the registration of such areas?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The registry is made only in favour of the born subjects of His Highness the Maha Raja, except in rare cases in favour of foreigners with the special sanction of Government.

MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*): Sir, with regard to part (*d*), the answer given is not to my question. The question is whether any concession is granted to Travancoreans in the registration of such areas, but the answer is that the registry is made only in favour of the born subjects of His Highness the Maha Raja.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): That is a concession.

MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*): My question is whether any concession is granted.

PRESIDENT: The member says that restricting the registry to the born subjects of His Highness the Maharaja is a concession in favour of the Travancoreans.

MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*): May I know whether any concession is granted to Travancoreans in the matter of registry in any other *pakuthi*?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Yes; in cardamom registries in Pallivasal.

MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*): May I know why it is not extended to other *pakuthies*?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): The necessity for it has not arisen.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know whether registry is allowed in the reserves ordinarily?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): No, Sir, it is not allowed.

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